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Invisible Grain Trade Profits

NON-POOL FARMERS who delivered street wheat to the line elevator companies last fall might well give consideration to the profits made by the Grain Trade at their expense.

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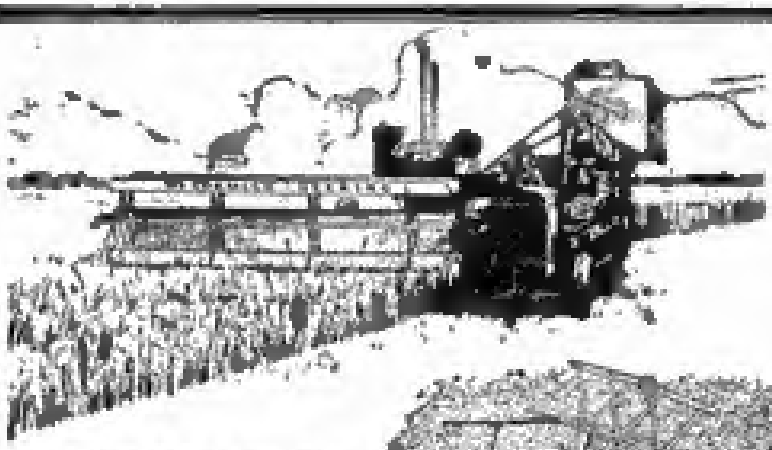

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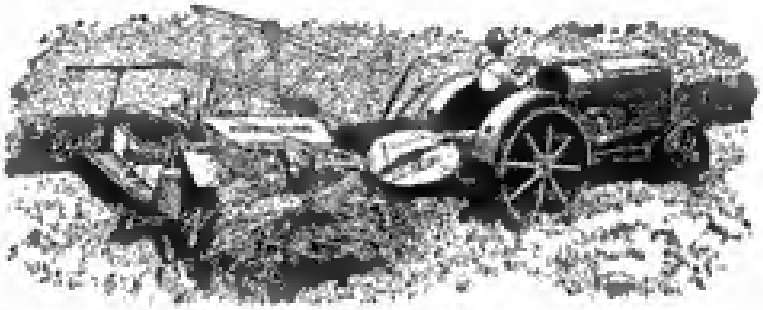

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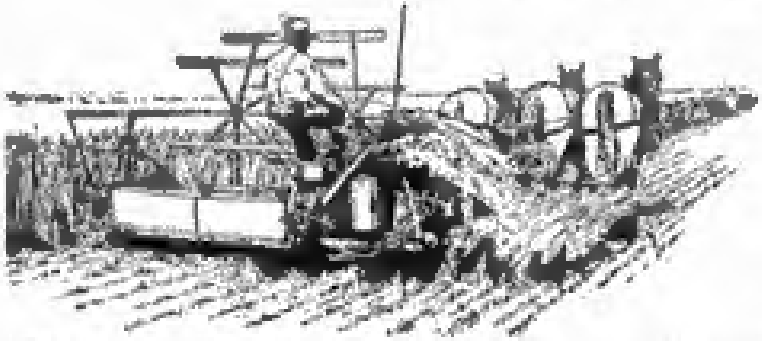

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EDITORIAL

SOME OF THE FARMERS' ACHIEVEMENTS AT OTTAWA

The report of the Calgary conference published in this issue contains a brief survey by Robert Gardiner, M.P., of the work of the session of Parliament of 1927. That session was largely devoted to the enactment of a program of legislation which had been accepted by the Government in 1926 from the Farmer and Labor groups in the House of Commons, but failed of final enactment last year owing to the sudden dissolution of Parliament.

An examination of the record of the U.F.A. and of the other independent groups associated with them provides a complete answer to cynical supporters of the political party system who have contended, to quote a contributor to our last issue, that members who refuse to "trade principles for partisan sop" cannot hope to achieve positive practical results in Parliament. The U.F.A. group has declined to compromise with partyism. It has preserved its independence as a group ready at all times to co-operate in the enactment of progressive legislation. In consequence it found itself in a position in 1926 to secure the inclusion in the Government's program of definite legislative proposals. These proposals, some of which were actually made effective in 1926 and some of which were finally enacted this year, will prove of greater value to the masses of the people of Canada than any other program of legislation which has been adopted in the recent history of Canada. They would never have been passed had the Government of 1926 been a "strong" Government. They were adopted because the Government of that day lacked a majority, and therefore found it necessary to obtain the support of the independent groups.

It is a matter of record that important features of the Robb budget of 1926 were incorporated in the budget at the suggestion of the U.F.A. members. The definite establishment of the principle involved in the Old Age Pensions Act; the amendment to the Canada Grain Act which restores to the farmer property rights in his grain which the grain trade had succeeded in filching from him; the Long Term Farm Loans Act; the act providing for the revaluation of Soldier Settlers' lands—all these measures had been fought for in successive sessions by the Farmer and Labor groups at Ottawa. For a time it appeared that little headway could be made. The power in Parliament of the opposing vested interests seemed to bar the way in some instances, while indifference or the politician's fear of progress was the obstacle in others.

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We do not think it can be questioned that the legislation adopted by the King Government in 1926 on recommendation of the Farmer and Labor groups, at a time when the Government depended for its existence upon their support, made an appeal to the imagination of the people of all classes in all parts of Canada. In Provinces where the independent groups were not well organized the Government gained support on the strength of the program it had accepted from Labor and the Farmers. Even the serious scandals in the customs department, which had aroused widespread public indignation, were overshadowed by the program of popular legislation which the Government, owing to its lack of a clear majority, had found it necessary to accept from the non-party groups.

As Mr. Gardiner points out, the bills which have been enacted do not provide a final solution of our problems. They are merely steps on the way. The Dominion Government has not yet accepted the measure of financial responsibility for Old Age Pensions which it should accept. The Long Term Farm Loans Act is not entirely satisfactory, and the Senate still stands as an obstacle to enlightened public policies. There is much to be done, and the progressive forces are still poorly mobilized throughout the greater part of the Dominion. But the constructive work already accomplished, and the blocking of reactionary proposals by the Farmers and Labor groups, provide clear evidence that uncompromising adherence to democratic principles and independence are the signposts pointing the way to sound practical achievement.

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TOWARDS THE NEXT WAR.

The late Jerome K. Jerome, the English author, who was one of the most effective writers and lecturers in behalf of the British cause during the war against the Central Powers had recently written a powerful indictment of the policies which led to the last war and are leading to-day towards another. Mr. Jerome, who died a few weeks ago, was of the opinion that nothing but the action of the peoples themselves (the British peoples included) can prevent the outbreak of another great war. In a book entitled "My Life and Times," he concluded his chapter on the War sardonically, as follows:

> **"The War ended in 1918. From 1919 to 1924 there was every prospect of France's regaining her old position as 'The Enemy.' Reading the French papers, one gathered that nothing would please France better. At the present moment (1925), a growing party would seem to be substituting Russia. It may be that the gods have other plans. The white ants are not the only hordes. The one thing certain is that mankind remains a race of low intelligence and evil instincts."**

NEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION

Activities of U.F.A. Locals and District Associations and Information from Central Office—Notes on Co-operation

MEETINGS WELL ATTENDED

Sunrise Local is holding meetings once a month, with good attendance, states the secretary, K. F. Clyde. This Local held a very successful picnic and dance on June 24th, and has taken over the community hall and hope to have it ready for meetings next winter.

GARDINER SPEAKS AT RUMSEY

Robert Gardiner, M.P., was the chief speaker at the meeting of the Big Valley to Munson U.F.A. District Association, held in Rumsey on June 16th. Mr. Gardiner gave a very full report on the work accomplished by the last session of Parliament, with particular reference to matters affecting farmers. Among the resolutions passed was one asking the Executive to take steps looking toward the formation of a central council of Canadian farmers to replace the present Council of Agriculture.

COMMENTS U.F.A. PLAN TO U.S. FARMERS

"The Kansas convention should more than counteract any adverse propaganda by the grain interests," states H. F. Willoughby Greenhill, of Oakland, California, in a letter to *The U.F.A.* Mr. Greenhill was formerly an active member and officer of the U.F.A. West Calgary district. Mr. Greenhill states that in his opinion conditions are better in Canada than in the republic at the present time, from the standpoint of the farmers, "though the kept press keeps telling the people that everything in the garden is lovely." He goes on to say, "I still think that it will be necessary to install a co-ordinated agricultural settlement policy, if the people of the States hope to hold their farm population permanently, the most important item being **land at earning value.** If any success is to be expected, the whole matter will have to be carried out with thoroughness equal to that of the U.F.A. and the Wheat Pools of Canada, which are still the world's standard examples in such matters."

RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA

The severance of diplomatic relations between Canada and Russia is the subject of a letter from D. J. Prystash, of Winnipeg, formerly of Vegreville, which is too long for reproduction in full.

Mr. Prystash suggests that Canada's prompt following of Great Britain's action in this matter, although her dealings with the U.S.S.R. had apparently been satisfactory, does not coincide with recent declarations of her national status. He deplores the possible loss of business with Russia, and fears that the breaking off of diplomatic relations will lead to war. The present Government of Britain pushes on to open hostilities, he says, "because it thinks that by warring on the Soviets it can regain the losing confidence of British common people, whom problems it was not able to solve."

It is in the power of Canadian farmers, Mr. Prystash believes, having the key position of controlling the world's bread supply, to prevent further entanglements that may lead to war.

PAYS $20 TO COVER ALL ARREARS

At a recent meeting of the Serviceberry U.F.A. District Association, Harvey Hanson, Director for Bow River, noticed in looking through the accounts that the registration fee of $5 which should be paid to Central Office, under the terms of the U.F.A. Constitution, had not been paid. Examination of the books for the three previous years was then made by the officers, and upon discovery that no fee had been paid during that period, the membership decided to meet all arrears and a cheque for $20 was accordingly made out and forwarded to Central Office.

BUTTER GRADING BY DOMINION

Butter grading in the Province, which in the past has been carried on by the Provincial Government has from June 1st, 1927, been handled by the Dairy Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, according to an arrangement recently reached. Dominion graders have been stationed in Calgary and Edmonton, and creamery operators will find practically no change in the regulations which have prevailed in the past. The educational as well as the commercial features of the service will be continued and it is felt that the new move will avoid any over-lapping in this phase of the dairy industry.

VALUE SERVICES OF ADJUSTMENT BUREAU

The following resolution on Farm Mortgages was passed by Huxley to Grainger U.F.A. District Association recently:

Whereas, through poor crops, low grades, sickness or other unforeseen conditions, farmers are often unable to fully satisfy their mortgagees or other creditors, and,

Whereas, said mortgagees or other creditors bring undue pressure to bear and, through unjust and unreasonable threats, sometimes cause needless sacrifice of property by farmers and the loss of desirable citizens to the community;

Therefore, be it resolved by this Huxley to Grainger District Association in convention here assembled at Huxley this 22nd June, 1927, that the services and relief of the Debt Adjustment Act Department of Calgary be recommended to all such in need thereof; and that all U.F.A. Locals in the district be recommended to get in touch with the above Department so as to be able to give intelligent information regarding the working of the same to all those so needing.

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Big Valley to Munson District Assn.	25.00
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REV. GUNN AT LAVOY

"The U.F.A. Sunday service of Lavoy Local was held on June 26th," writes P. G. Colwell, secretary. "Rev. E. E. Baker conducted the service, assisted by Rev. R. J. Garrett, the principal speaker being Mrs. R. B. Gunn, U.F.W.A. President. The community hall was well filled with an attentive audience who listened to an inspiring address delivered with all the eloquence for which Mrs. Gunn is noted. Special singing was rendered by a mixed choir, conducted by D. H. Tweedale, and the Lavoy orchestra favored the gathering with several musical selections which delighted all present. The ladies of the U.F.W.A. Local fittingly decorated the hall for the occasion."

A VALUABLE YEAR BOOK

The 1926 edition of the Canada Year Book is now ready for distribution, and copies can be secured from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, General Statistics Branch, Ottawa. The year book contains over 1,000 pages of statistical information, under such heads as Physiography, History, Constitution, Population, Production, Trade and Commerce, Transportation and Communications, Labour and Wages, Prices, Finance, Education, Public Health, Administration.

SEDGEWICK CONVENTION

The Sedgewick U.F.A. Provincial Constituency Association convention will be held at Sedgewick on August 1st, beginning at 11 a.m. Addresses will be given during the afternoon session by W. T. Lucas, M.P., and A. G. Andrews, M.L.A., while George McIvor, Western Sales Manager of the Canadian Wheat Pool, will address a public meeting in the evening upon Wheat Pool matters.

The basis of representation will be one delegate for every ten members of the U.F.A. or U.F.W.A. The assessment for the Provincial Constituency Association is 25 cents per member per year.

OLDS PROVINCIAL CONVENTION

The annual meeting of the Olds U.F.A. Provincial Constituency Association will be held in the Strathmier Hall, Trochu, on July 27th, at 1 p.m. The business will include the election of officers, annual report of N. S. Smith, M.L.A., for the constituency, and an address by Hon. R. G. Reid.

The secretary, Wm. H. Hoppins, asks for a full delegation "to hear Mr. Smith's report, and to express approval or criticism of our Government's work."

WHERE IS THIS CHURCH TO BE FOUND?

The article "U.F.A. Aims and Christian Teaching" by Rev. Albert E. Larke, which appeared in the June 1st issue of *The U.F.A.* is dealt with at some length in a letter from Mr. John Egger, of Sullivan Lake. Mr. Egger expresses agreement with ninety per cent of Mr. Larke's statements, but in reply to the suggestion that U.F.A. members should

support the church he asks, "What church?" He points out that there were recently about 200 denominations of Christian churches and adds:

"Now I know of but one church which can fill the bill for me and that church bears no particular name. Religion in its original meaning is 'binding together' . . . Wherever a few are assembled for the purpose of learning more and more of the truth of life, for co-operating for mutual benefit, material, mental and spiritual, in short, in an endeavor to do that which is right and avoid that which is harmful and wrong, there is my opinion is the true church."

"Christ was Revolutionary"

Churches in the past, states Mr. Egger, have been for the most part upholders of the *status quo*, although "Christ himself was a revolutionary in His time; He came into conflict with the authorities that were; He followed not blindly the teachings of the theologians of his day, but exposed the errors of their teaching. He taught the true way to spiritual unfoldment, namely, self-control, moral conduct, the mastery of one's self, which leads to better health, greater intelligence and a greater measure of happiness both here and hereafter."

An Insuperable Obstacle

Mr. Egger thinks that an insuperable obstacle to the U.F.A. as an organization supporting Sunday-schools in the country is the great number of varying dogmas taught in the Sunday-schools of the different churches.

"Will and spirit are identical," writes Mr. Egger, in conclusion, "All of us have an inner will by which we choose. We are spirits whether we know it or not; evil spirits if we will to do evil, good spirits if we will to do good. Most of us are a mixture of both. Mind has a right to reason with mind, and endeavor to lead it into better ways. But mind has no right to endeavor to dominate over mind, nor will to compel will. Free-will co-operation is the true way. Domination and forceful subjection is the wrong way. As I understand it, God wants volunteers, not conscripts."

Merton Celebrates Confederation

Confederation day was very fittingly celebrated by the people of the rural municipality of Merton when a full day's program of entertainment took place on July 1st, on the banks of the Battle River.

The committee in charge represented the U.F.A., the U.F.W.A., the Merton municipal council, the school teachers and the school trustees.

The program was designed to include all the main interests of the people, and to express on behalf of a purely rural community its commemoration of this historic event and its participation in a great national day.

The school children of the municipality provided the morning's program by way of recitations, songs and pageants; a full program of races and sports for children followed, with free treats of ice cream, candies, etc., and the usual baseball and basketball tournaments. These events were followed by the main program of addresses, in which the people of Merton were especially fortunate. The first speaker was Mr. C. L. Gibbs, Labor member for Edmonton in the Provincial House. Mr. Gibb's address was much appreciated and his eloquent plea for loyalty to principles rather than to shibboleths met with much applause.

Canadian Poets and Poetry

Mrs. J. W. Field, 2nd vice-President, U. F. W. A., said in beginning her address that while Mr. Gibbs had dealt with the general field of Canadian history and included in his address a resume of Canadian statesmen and Dominion builders that she would confine her subject to one group of people, who, while they might not figure so largely in the annals of Canadian parliamentary life, yet added a not inconsiderable item to the fashioning of the hearts and minds and spirits of its people. Her address on Canadian poets and poetry was delightful and the peculiarly lyrical quality of Canadian verse fitted charmingly into the natural surroundings of green trees, tortuous winding river, the high banks on either side, and the wide expanse of prairie.

The last speaker was Mr. H. E. G. H. Scholefield, vice-President of the U.F.A. Many of the individual members of the community had become acquainted with Mr. Scholefield at conventions of the U.F.A. but this was his first visit to the Lloydminster district. His thoughtful address on Confederation summed up the romance of Dominion building in its physical aspects, the early coureur-de bois, and voyageurs, the Selkirk Settlement, with MacKenzie to the the Pacific and the Great North West, and later the growth of responsible government and parliamentary institutions. His pre-

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Alberta Wheat Pool Float at Dominion Day Celebration

The above is a reproduction from a photograph of the float which represented the Alberta Wheat Pool in the parade at the High River Dominion Day celebration, which attracted a great deal of favorable comment from the spectators. The float was also shown to advantage at a celebration at Brant.

The float depicts a miniature Pool elevator, complete in every detail, even to the box car being loaded with grain. C. H. Micklin and Chas. Hager, Pool elevator operators, constructed the float and displayed considerable ingenuity in their task. The driver is H. B. McLeod, and N. Fraser is also shown immediately behind the driver.

The miniature elevator was on display on the roof of the Alberta Wheat Pool booth at the Calgary exhibition and stampede

Saskatchewan Swings Toward Economic Group Organization

By WILLIAM IRVINE, M.P.

Delegates at the recent rally of Saskatchewan Progressives in Regina, recognized the soundness of the plan of economic group organization upon which the power of the organized farmers' movement has been built in Alberta. The Progressive Party method of taking political action is seen to have been a mistake. The general feeling in the sister Province, states Mr. Irvine, is that the only hope of political improvement lies in the U.F. of C. and that, given time, this organization will find itself, and accept responsibility in the political field.

The Progressives of Saskatchewan held their rally in Regina, July 6th, 7th and 8th. Preparations for this rally had been long in progress and thousands were expected to attend. Motor car parties had been arranged all over the Province and every sign pointed toward a record crowd. But at the last moment the weather intervened. A deluge of rain the day previous to the opening of the convention blocked the plans of the Progressives effectively, so that on the opening day the attendance was small. On the following day, however, the crowd had multiplied considerably and on the third day—the roads being again dry—the rally was several hundreds strong.

MOST IMPORTANT IN HISTORY OF PROVINCE

This rally was considered by the Progressives as the most important of its kind ever held in the Province of Saskatchewan. The first reason for this is that political prophets say that the Liberal party regards Saskatchewan as next to Quebec in point of strategy.

It is said that every effort is being put forth by the Liberal party to hold Quebec and Saskatchewan solid for the Liberals and the task is not going to be easy, for Quebec is strong for high Protection while Saskatchewan is Free Trade in outlook. This sharp difference within the ranks of the party in power is to be overcome temporarily in the following way: The Liberal and Liberal-Progressive members from Saskatchewan, while looking for tariff reduction, will be satisfied with any kind of reduction so long as it may be called a reduction. The half of one per cent reduction on one protected article will be sufficient to enable the supporters of the Government to claim tariff reduction with a view to a steady downward revision in the future. But some reduction, however small, they will and must have before the next election.

The next move is to keep the Quebec members quiet while this slight operation is being made on the big toe nail of the tariff. That has been arranged for. Quebec is to have its way in respect of the Alberta school question on the ground that they permit the above operation in order to placate the Saskatchewan Liberal and Liberal-Progressive.

SPEAKERS UNANIMOUSLY FAVOR ECONOMIC GROUP PLAN

Another reason why the Progressive rally in Saskatchewan is regarded as of great importance is that the Progressive Party method of taking political action is now seen to be a mistake. All speakers during debate without exception declared their belief in the economic group system of political organization. Among the weaknesses of the Progressive Party method as mentioned by delegates were the difficulty of keeping the movement alive between elections, financing, and the inability to control its members after they have been elected. The latter appeared to have made a deep impression. Not one of the Alberta members of Parliament has betrayed the U.F.A. to either of the parties, while only four Saskatchewan Progressives have remained true to their trust. These are John Evans, M. N. Campbell, Carmichael and Fansher.

ONLY REASON WHY PARTY WAS FORMED

Of course, the chief reason and perhaps the only reason why the Progressive Party ever existed in Saskatchewan is that the United Farmers organization refused to accept the responsibility which the Progressives accordingly assumed. It is general talk among the farmers of Saskatchewan that the failure of the movement there to take political action was and is due to certain leaders who are better Liberals than United Farmers. It is common belief that the Liberal party has, through the leaders of the Farmers' movement, used and controlled that movement throughout its entire history. As to the extent to which these charges are true, an outsider is left to conjecture.

At any rate, there is a decided swing toward the Economic Group idea. H. W. Wood, Hon. R. G. Reid, Miss Agnes McPhail, M.P., M. N. Campbell, M.P. and W. Irvine, M.P., all spoke on that issue, each emphasizing a different phase of the philosophy, some expounding its theory and others its practice. Other speakers were Hon. R. A. Hoey, J. S. Woodsworth, M.P., A. M. Carmichael, M.P., W. R. Fansher, M.P., and Rev. J. A. Donnell, of Saskatoon.

ONLY WAY TO BREAK POWER OF PARTY MACHINE

The chief resolutions brought before the rally for discussion had to do with political organization and financial credits. Every delegate at the Progressive rally appeared to be convinced that the United Farmers movement offered the only possibility of breaking the power of the party machine in Saskatchewan, and that until the U.F.C. decides to do so, little progress can be made by a progressive organization.

With this in view it was seriously proposed by some delegates and strongly urged that the Progressive organization should go out of business forthwith. It was argued in this connection that the United Farmers might more speedily decide to assume the full responsibility of democratic citizenship if no other organization were attempting to do that work for them.

Another proposal was to change the name of the organization so as to get away from the "stink of traitorous Progressive" as one delegate said, and to keep going until the U.F.C. did decide to take over the job. But this motion was defeated, chiefly by the argument of one of the woman directors of the U.F.C. She argued that if John Smith was a bad man and decided to call himself Dick Smith he would still be the same personality.

UNTIL UNITED FARMERS TAKE RESPONSIBILITY

It was finally decided that in view of the fact that the Progressive organization has four staunch and true representatives in Ottawa and in consideration also of the need for educational work in preparation for united economic group action, the Progressive Association should continue to function until the U.F.C. decides to take over the responsibility.

It was also made clear in another resolution that the Progressives were ready to quit as soon as the U.F.C. decided to act and the U.F.C. was therein urged to take political action.

The Liberal machine of Saskatchewan is active in its efforts to prevent the U.F.C. taking action. Premier Gardiner, knowing that he is through when the Farmers decide to begin, is putting forth every effort to prevent them beginning. He has been carrying on a campaign against the political philosophy of H. W. Wood and W. Irvine for several months, but he refused to accept the challenge of the latter to debate the question at the Progressive rally. The net result of Premier Gardiner's campaign against economic group action in politics has so far been the complete conversion of the Progressive Association to group system.

CANNOT LIVE IF REFUSES POLITICAL ACTION

The feeling is general in Saskatchewan that the only hope of political improvement is to be found in the U.F.C. and that sooner or later that organization will accept its responsibility in this regard. **The old argument against a farmers' organization taking political action was that no farmers' organization could take such action and live. Not only has this been disproved, both by Manitoba and Alberta, but it is becoming more and more evident that no farmers' organization can live if it refuses to take political action. For the agrarian movement which fails to function in an important phase of citizenship of this kind can expect to be superseded by some other movement.** There are many thousands of farm men and women in Saskatchewan who regret that the U.F.C. is not providing for them an adequate medium for the fullest exercise of democratic citizenship. Therefore, the U.F.C. will either have to grow big enough to do this work or it will die and give place to another organization.

Of the U.F.C. it must be observed that it has just recently been formed. The S.G.G.A. and the Farmers' Union came together last year and formed one body. **It has not yet found itself. Give it time and there is little doubt it will fully justify the faith of the Saskatchewan people who compose it.**

Annual U.F.A. Conference on Federal Affairs Discusses Session of 1927

The Annual Conference between the Central Executive, the U.F.A. members of the House of Commons and representatives of Federal Constituency Associations was held in Hood & Irvine's Hall, Calgary, July 9th. Robert Gardiner, M. P., chairman of the U.F.A. group at Ottawa, presented a report on the work of the past session in behalf of the group, and plans for future Parliamentary action were discussed. The Board of the U.F.W.A. were in attendance, and Hon. Geo. Hoadley, Acting Premier, and Hon. R.G. Reid, Provincial Treasurer, were present and took part in the discussion upon issues which involve action in both Federal and Provincial fields. H.E.G. H. Scholefield, Vice-President, was elected to the chair and presided throughout the day's proceedings. W. N. Smith was elected secretary.

PRINCIPAL SUBJECTS OF DISCUSSION.

The subject of the Natural Resources; the Spray Lakes power project; the Peace River outlet to the coast; proposals for the establishment of a Federal Bank of Re-discount; Dominion Immigration Policy and an Alberta Coal Policy were among the principal matters discussed. In placing at the disposal of the delegates information upon these and other Federal problems, the Conference proved of great value. In addition to the official delegates, members of the Association interested in the proceedings were given a voice in the conference, without, however, the privilege of voting.

At the opening of the conference the following item from the minutes of the U.F.A. Central Board was read by the Secretary:

> Moved by Mr. Critchlow, seconded by Mr. Sutherland,
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> That the Executive Committee call the conference of Federal members and representatives of Federal Constituency Associations at a time that will coincide with the summer Board meeting, whenever possible, and that the members of the Board of Directors be invited to attend. Carried unanimously.

REVIEWS SESSION OF 1927

Mr. Gardiner, who was chosen by the members of the U.F.A. Federal group to report to the Conference in their behalf gave an illuminating account of the work of the past session, touching briefly upon the principal items of legislation, and describing the policy followed by the U.F.A. members in organizing for their Parliamentary duties. He discussed the work of the session under three bearings (1) The legislative program advocated by the U. F. A., and what had been accomplished; (2) Legislation introduced in Parliament which the U.F.A. members felt called upon to oppose; (3) Organization of the U. F. A. members as a distinct unit in the House of Commons.

Mr. Gardiner expressed regret that Mr. Spencer, the Secretary of the group, was unable to attend the Conference, owing to the fact that he was paying a visit to his former home in England after an absence of some twenty years. It was a pleasure to see Mr. Speakman among the members present, and to note that he was recovering from his dangerous illness and looking so much better than during the session at Ottawa.

The program of legislation for 1927, Mr. Gardiner pointed out, was for the most part a re-enactment of legislation adopted by the House of Commons in 1926, which failed to become law owing to the sudden dissolution of Parliament. This program was based in large measure on proposals submitted to the Government by the U.F.A. and other independent groups and accepted, at a time when the Government lacked a majority.

OPPOSED INCOME TAX REDUCTION

There was no division on the Speech from the Throne, but the U.F.A. members felt called upon to resist with all their power the provision in the budget of the current year for the reduction of the income tax by 10 per cent. It was felt that as the war debt would remain a serious burden for many years to come, and as the income tax was the most equitable means of raising revenue since it bore most heavily on those best able to bear taxation, it was to be preferred to other taxes. In income tax reduction the members were convinced, the Government had already gone far enough. Any tax reductions should be such as would benefit chiefly the citizen of Canada of average income. At a conference between the U.F.A. and other independent groups (Progressive and Labor) an amendment to the budget was agreed upon. When this amendment was defeated, the U. F. A. members, almost unanimously, voted against the budget.

U.F.A. PROPOSALS REACH STATUTE BOOK.

In 1926, the Government adopted a program of legislation proposed by the U.F.A. and other independent groups. Among the items in that program which were placed on the statute book in 1927 were the following:

(a) **Old Age Pensions.** Mr. Gardiner said that the creation of a system of old age pensions had long been overdue in Canada. The bill passed this year did not provide a final solution of the problem. The act set forth that one half of the cost should be borne by the Dominion and one half by any Provincial Government which might adopt the plan, while the Provincial Government was also called upon to bear the costs of administration. The U. F. A. members believed that a substantially larger share of the cost should be borne by the Federal Government. While the act was not all that might be desired, Canada had now definitely accepted the principle of old age pensions. The matter had been brought to a head as between the Dominion and the Provinces.

(b) **Canada Grain Act Amendment.** When the new Grain Act was brought in two years ago, the grain trade succeeded in invading the property rights of the farmer by depriving him of the right to ship his grain to whatever terminal he might desire. In 1926 an amendment

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Resolutions of the Calgary Conference

PEACE RIVER RAILWAY

That the Dominion Government be urged to take steps to develop the Peace River Outlet.

ALBERTA COAL POLICY

That this Conference urge the Board of Railway Commissioners to expedite the presentation to the Dominion Government of the report on the Alberta coal rate case; that the Government in turn be requested to publish the report of the Board of Railway Commissioners upon its receipt from the Commission.

ATHABASCA ELECTION SCANDAL

Whereas, a large amount of time has been spent in investigating the Athabasca election scandal, and

Whereas, no effective action has been taken by Parliament to remedy the disgraceful conditions which were proven to have existed;

Be it resolved that the U.F.A. Federal Members be requested to urge Parliament again to refer this matter to the Committee on Privileges and Elections, with a view to securing such amendments to the Dominion Elections Act and the administration of the Civil Service as may be deemed desirable to frustrate dishonest tampering with the franchise of the people;

And further, that action be taken against all parties charged with corrupt acts in connection with elections.

GRANT TO CANADA SEED GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

Whereas since its inception the Canada Seed Growers' Association has received a grant from the Dominion Government for the carrying on of this work, and

Whereas, the Government has lately shown a disposition to reduce or discontinue this grant, and has cancelled the postal privileges,

Be it resolved, that this Conference, recognizing the value of the work of seed improvement, goes on record as being opposed to any reduction in the seed grant, and requests our Federal members to take any action possible in this matter.

News from Alberta Wheat Pool Head Office

Information for Members and Locals Issued by the Department of Education and Publicity of the Alberta Wheat Pool.

WHAT CO-OPERATION MEANT TO CANADA

The idea of Confederation was simply the uniting of a variety of diverse geographically entities for the good of all Canada. The Wheat Pool is built on a similar basis.

Private interests in many parts of Canada fought and fumed unavailingly against the Confederation idea. Their petty concerns were menaced by a united Canada. Self came first with them.

Broader counsel prevailed and today we have the spectacle of the Dominion of Canada engaged in a whole-hearted celebration of our country's sixtieth birthday.

Co-operation built Canada from a series of disjointed Provinces to a splendid Dominion, bounded, "like Achilles' shield, by the blue rim of ocean."

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A SENSIBLE PRECAUTION

The decision of the Wheat Pools to put on a drive for signing up the Second Series of contracts was based on good business principles. Only opponents of the Pools are finding any fault with the move.

The *Family Herald and Weekly Star* says: "It is an evidence of good business sense to find the Pool managers striving well in advance of the termination of the individual contracts to have them renewed."

The safety and best interests of the Pool is, and should be, the first concern of Pool members. There should be no reason for delay in signing the Second Series contracts and ensuring the continued success of the Pool for another term.

The number who have already signed, and the pitiful lack of competent argument against the Pool movement, affords satisfaction to true believers in co-operation.

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CROP CONDITIONS FINE

Favorable crop reports from all over Western Canada are being issued. Close to twenty million acres of wheat are growing on the Canadian Prairies. Ample moisture and good growing weather have brought the grain along fast.

Alberta has 6,420,138 acres in wheat—an increase of five per cent over last year. Manitoba has 1,714,154 acres sown to wheat, a decrease of 23 per cent from 1926. Saskatchewan wheat acreage this year totals 11,280,154, which is a 15 per cent decline from last year's acreage.

While prospects look good now, a lot of things may happen before harvest, as the farmer well knows. There yet will be many anxious days and nights for the man who plows the furrows.

Then, after the harvest, comes the important task of selling. The product of a year's labor must be disposed of. The old-fashioned method was for the producer to sell blindly, guessing at what he thought was the best time, and, more often than not, selling at the period when prices were low.

The Wheat Pool system overcomes the risk and uncertainty for the producer; guaranteeing a fair average price. The farmers' own sales agency can do the best for the farmer.

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The hardy perennial, the newspaper correspondent signing himself as "Ex-Farmer," has again appeared in his usual role of a knocker of the farmers' co-operative movement. "The hand is the hand of Esau, but the voice is the voice of Jacob."

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SELL THE POOL IDEA ON ITS MERITS

Life insurance is a splendid thing. It is based on manliness; on the better feelings that permeate the human breast; on regard for loved ones, and a desire to see them in a measure protected and safeguarded when the man whose duty it is to fulfil those functions has passed on.

Yet the life insurance idea has to be advertised and sold! One might be inclined to think that, with all its advantages, life insurance would sell itself; but such is not the case. All other things being equal, the most successful life insurance company is the one with the best salesmen.

The same rule applies to the Wheat Pool idea. It is generally recognized that the Wheat Pool affords the farmer a measure of protection that he otherwise would not have. It is a constant bulwark against the forces of aggression that have been a menace to the best interests of the farmer. Yet the Pool idea has to be continually sold to the agrarian population.

Canvassers should bear this condition in mind when performing their duties. They should become well-versed in the theory and practice of co-operation and should use their powers of salesmanship in an intelligent manner. Sell the Pool idea on its merits.

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THE PROGRESS OF THE SIGN-UP DRIVE

The results to date of the campaign for the signing of the Second Series of Wheat Pool contracts make it plain that the Wheat Pool idea is based on a strong foundation in Alberta. No doubt can now remain as to the ultimate success of the campaign.

In spite of a campaign of misrepresentation conducted by opponents, and in spite of insidious "poison whisper" attacks, the bulk of the wheat producers are standing loyally by their own organization. The campaign is proceeding steadily, quietly and satisfactorily. Delays have been encountered and canvassers have had difficulty in covering their allotted districts, but the work is being done methodically and will be kept up until completed.

It is noticeable that in the districts where the Pool spirit has been kept alert and where the canvassers took their duties to heart and worked thoroughly, the response has been extraordinarily successful. Not only have the first contract signers signed up again almost one hundred per cent, but many new members have been secured.

Don't pay too much attention to ill-wishers who are spreading tales to the effect that the sign-up is not going over satisfactorily. This is only part of the program of opposition.

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A great national selling organization is being planned by the agriculturists of Great Britain, based on the co-operative selling organizations of Western Canada.

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SOME OF THE LARGER ACREAGES SIGN-UP

A few of the larger acreages being signed to Second Series contracts: J. E. Carr, Huxley, 410 acres; F. C. Miller, Dalemead, 400 acres; J. Theodore, Lavoy, 400 acres; H. Wilfrid, Cluny, 430 acres; T. B. Dunham, Lethbridge, 400 acres; Phillips Cignere, Cluny, 450 acres; Geo. N. Johnston, Loyalist, 600 acres; Charles Culver, Retlaw, 400 acres; A. P. Geisinger, Craigmyle, 450 acres; Wm. Hirsch, Wrentham, 400 acres; Hughes Bros., 515 acres; O. I. Elgasen, Killam, 400 acres; J. A. Rollag, Wrentham, 450 acres; Tore Thorson, Winnifred, 500 acres; J. L. Sastmon, Chesholm, 400 acres; R. and J. F. Williams, Ensign, 800 acres; S. Flack and Son, Dunadin, 400 acres; T. R. Hardisyde, Etzikom, 400 acres.

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The Alberta Wheat Pool opened a booth as a rest room and information bureau at the Calgary Exhibition, and will also have one at the Edmonton Exhibition. Farmers who attend the Edmonton Exhibition are invited to visit the Pool booth.

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The Dominion Government forecasts Canada's wheat yield for this year at 325,070,000 bushels. The estimate for the three prairie provinces is 305,052,000 bushels.

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The United States government estimate of the wheat crop of that country for 1927 is 579,416,000 bushels.

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A. B. Sage, operator for the Pool elevator at Dalemead reports that as a result of the canvass of that district all but two present members have signed the new contract. Four, new members were secured.

Greatest Service to Canada Since Confederation Will Be Renewal of Wheat Pool Contracts

At the Wheat Pool rally recently held in Calgary, Hon. R. B. Bennett, K.C., M.P., described the creation of the Wheat Pool as the greatest achievement of the organized farmers of Alberta, and declared that the renewal of the contracts would be the greatest service rendered to Canada since Confederation. Mr. Bennett's address is given in full below:

I am in the happy position of coming before you as one who is not a new convert to the cause of the Wheat Pool. When I was not in public life I espoused its cause. I believed it was a method that would result in great benefit to the people of this Province and of our Dominion. I was not a practical man, but although at that time I had large investments in the grain business I was led to believe that the Wheat Pool proposals were sound by reason of the advice I received from the gentleman responsible for my being here tonight, my good grain friend John McFarland, whose genius for making money in the grain business is well known to you all. I may say that it was under his distinctive ability that the manager of the Alberta Wheat Pool Elevators was trained, and we regret he is not with us tonight, being laid aside temporarily by illness.

Has Remedied Farmers' Grievances

I believed in the Wheat Pool because I was convinced, as I am now, that no agricultural community could be efficient that is unhappy and no people be happy who think they have a grievance. I was convinced that our people believed a few years ago that they had a real grievance with respect to the marketing of their grain, and I knew that a people with a grievance could not be a happy people.

I saw they were looking for a remedy. They had set their minds to bring a measure of service and satisfaction to themselves through their efforts in selling and marketing their product, and they determined that by a co-operative system of marketing that would be able to bring about a certain measure, as they believed, of service and relieve themselves from the grievance under which they believed they suffered.

Alberta's Most Notable Achievement

They tried, and of all the matters by which this country will be known when the history of Alberta comes to be written the establishment of the Alberta Wheat Pool in 1923 by a group of our people will rank as one of its greatest exploits. I am convinced it is so, not only from the results but from the example it has been to other countries, and I am satisfied that the Prime Minister of Saskatchewan will not misunderstand me when I say I believe there is no Pool that has been so well managed as that of Alberta, and that there is no Pool that has been conceived with the same high regard for what it conceived to be the rights of others engaged in the marketing of grain as the Alberta Pool. That condition we owe largely to the fact that the movement was led by one to whom I should like to pay a tribute of respect and admiration. It was led by one whose political beliefs are widely different from my own, both of us realizing the weaknesses of democracy and having different remedies as a solution. We look at it from different angles, but no man or woman in this country who realizes the high ideals of public service, the honesty of purpose, the integrity of character which characterize R. W. Wood will fail to realize how great a debt we owe to the leader of a great movement. It is a debt that this community will never adequately pay or the rural population perhaps properly appreciate.

Outside Enemies Will Never Destroy Pool

The Premier of Saskatchewan made an observation with respect to the enemies from without. The Wheat Pool will never be destroyed by its enemies without its gates. If at all, if ever, destruction will come from its friends within. Dissension, suspicion, disbelief and eventually wreck and ruin. The great thing you must get your mind settled upon is that you now are confronted no longer with a theory but the condition that the Wheat Pool has functioned for four years, discharged its honest responsibilities and now is seeking a mandate from its constituency to continue its operations.

Centralized Selling Sound

Whether or not I was influenced by a desire that the men who till the soil and the women who live on the farms should be happier or more contented before today as this movement progressed I realized it was based on sound business lines. That has been referred to at some length, but I will perhaps be allowed to enumerate them: First, orderly marketing of the product means that instead of the product being sent to the purchasers by 100,000 sellers there is but one. That means stability, certainty, equality of treatment, the lack of that competition which so far as this business is concerned brings chaos and disorder to its own people.

Supply and Demand

Premier Gardiner referred to the law of supply and demand. It is true the great economic law cannot be changed, but equally is it true that the conditions under which it operates can be changed. You may change the conditions under which it operates or suspend its operations. There is the law.

Orderly Marketing

What were the facts before the Pool came about? You had in the fall great quantities of grain being thrown upon the markets of the world that you and I know at that moment were not in a position to have demand for that supply. The immediate demand was more than met by the supply. Some countries supply more food than they can consume and others are constantly requiring the surplus. So it is, we have what we call trade, the supplying of the surplus of one country to meet the demand of another, but that demand does not arise in the fall. The demand of the people of the world did not mean a demand that arose just in the fall. That demand was one that had to be met by all the nations of the world, because as every month goes by there is a crop maturing in some country of the world, and so it was that this demand is not one that had to be met and could be met at once but one that could only be met as it arose in the future, in the months to come.

What was the result? Does any man not know that you have to take into consideration all the future conditions, the crop in other countries, the interest on your investment, and other factors? Those speakers who spoke of 130,000 people in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba as able to supply the demand in an orderly and regulated manner from the vast supplies that had not been dumped on the market but held by the Pool itself to be marketed the moment that was most opportune, touched upon a vital point. That itself is the first business consideration that influences me to support the Pool.

Pool's Method of Payment Valuable Innovation

Second, the question that has been touched upon a number of times. I recall the circumstances under which the Pool came into being. I do not suppose anyone will charge me with egotism when I say I pressed on the banking institutions with which I had affiliations the desirability of giving their support to the Pool. I am happy to say that when the President of one of the banks came to this city I said we must do everything possible to help because I foresaw just what Premier Brownlee has said, that the deferring of the payment in full of the property you produced on your farm ensures you having money with which to meet the demand made on you next year.

There is nothing more fatal to any of us than to have large sums of money, not knowing what we will do with it. That is the trouble with the farmer who sold his crop for cash and put the money in the bank. He was never happy until it was spent. Ask his wife!

He would listen to the high-power salesman who sold him a six-cylinder car if he had the money in the bank, but if he had the deferred payment and could only get enough cash to meet his liabilities and knowing he would get more later on to provide for emergencies, that was a different situation.

That situation in itself you cannot measure in terms of dollars and cents. It changed the whole economic face of this Province; the financial change made this country more prosperous than it otherwise could have been. Similarly, every city in this Province. Your taxes have been paid, the interest on your mortgage has been met, instalments of principal have been paid and you have conducted your business on a budget system instead of spending the money on anything offered you from a milking machine down to a phonograph.

Imperative that Contracts be Renewed

I am not a practical farmer, but may I say to the great unseen audience whom I am addressing as well as those in this hall: It is no longer a theory that confronts us in Alberta, it is a condition. You have had four years of your Wheat Pool. Are you going to be so regardless of the trust imposed in you by your fellows as to surrender the benefit you have secured? What are you going to give them to replace it? Do away with this Pool and what will you have? That is the problem. The Pool of Alberta was

conceived not in a spirit of vindictiveness to any other interest. It had the highest desire to co-operate with every established system in this country. It was willing to pay for the use of the facilities that existed, but it had to meet with opposition. If it was an attack they had to meet, they met it in the only way to take care of themselves. Again I say the Pool gives practical expression to the highest form of co-operative spirit, by which every man receives the same price for his wheat of the same grade whether he be the farmer of 1,000 or 200 acres, a quarter or ten sections. Sentiment given practical expression to in this Province, cannot help but bring about a higher conception of the duty of citizenship, a realization that any healthy effort is the best effort to make a nation.

Opposition Cannot Succeed

May I sound this warning. I have seen manifestations and expressions of threatened action against those who do not see as we do. Such expressions are wholly at variance with the work in which you are engaged. They are a demonstration of a spirit of vindictiveness and entirely out of keeping with the spirit of co-operation. I give that just as a warning. Nothing will destroy so quickly as a desire to destroy. The man whose object in life is to destroy what others have built, never yet constructed an idea, let alone anything else. Opposition cannot succeed. Be content to let them work out their own destiny while you work out yours.

Renewal of Contracts Greatest Service to Canada Since Confederation

Your work in the next few weeks lies in having these Pool contracts signed and when they are signed see they are not broken. It is better not to have vowed than to have vowed and not keep that vow. Break not thy contract, is as old as civilization itself. I cannot but believe that the same high sentiments that prompted the men and women of this Province four or five years ago, in the light of the experience they have had as to price, as to orderly marketing of their product, the value of the partial payment, in the hope that comes from removal of grievances, in the realization of the vast spread between the cost in Canada and the cost in the market of the world, that a single seller is better than a thousand sellers, have not changed tonight. The position that the great cartels of England and Germany and France claim with respect to steel and iron, the enjoyment of their rights in those great industries, is the same in the matter of the rights of the farmers of this Province. If the idea is continued that has existed from the start of the Pooling organization, if those conditions govern you in the years to come, I am satisfied instead of being sixty or seventy per cent that Alberta farmers will realize the duty and obligation which is theirs to make certain this great farmers' movement becomes a great deal stronger. The movement is theirs—not one of lawyers or doctors or politicians, but their own business, controlled by their own directors, with their own managers.

If it fails you have struck a blow at farmers' organizations that will not be recoverable in the next half century.

I leave the problem to you and by signing up you will be doing Alberta a service and one to Canada not equalled since Confederation.

It is estimated that 1,800,000 U.S. farmers are members of co-operative associations.

How the Growers' Accounts Are Handled at the Alberta Pool Head Office

R. N. Mangles, superintendent of the Growers' Department of the Wheat Pool, makes some timely suggestions regarding assignments in a resume of the work of his department.

"It would greatly assist us if our members would refrain from giving assignments until such time as the wheat is delivered to the Pool," Mr. Mangles says, "And also to refrain from assigning the payments on more wheat than they actually deliver."

Mr. Mangles resumes follows:

The Growers' Department is responsible for keeping a record of the deliveries of each grower to the Pool, the making of the payments to the growers other than the initial payment and keeping the reserve accounts.

SUPERINTENDENT OF GROWERS' DEPARTMENT

R. N. Mangles Outlines the Duties and Responsibilities of His Department in This Article

Growers' Accounts

The accounts of the growers are kept by shipping points; duplicates of the receipts issued to the growers are reported to the Pool by the elevator companies. They are then posted to the account of the grower in whose name they are made out, and the totals of these accounts are kept in balance by shipping points, and according to grades, with the total of the wheat delivered to the Pool according to the reports of the elevator companies.

When payments are being made, the wheat is multiplied by the rate of payments per bushel, cheques are issued and the accounts balanced in dollars and cents before the cheques are mailed.

The growers are asked to forward their checking coupons, as this has been found to be the simplest and most efficient method of ascertaining that the accounts are in order, and making sure that payments are made correctly.

It has been found necessary to make two distinct issues of cheques in connection with the payments. This is caused by the fact that, in order that cheques may be issued promptly, a complete "cut off" has to be taken some weeks beforehand of the postings to the Growers' Accounts, and the checking of coupons. It would lead to endless confusion were we to attempt to post deliveries to the Growers' Accounts, check the coupons, multiply by the rate of payment and issue the cheques all at the same time.

The Cut Off

The taking of this previous "cut off" or balance has led many of our members to believe that there was an error in their payment, the explanation being that the delivery or deliveries in question had not been reported to us at the time of this "cut off" or that the coupon had not been checked off.

A rather astonishing feature is the number of deliveries for which the payments are not claimed, and regarding which the growers have, apparently, no knowledge. Since the inception of the Pool, this Department has posted approximately 140 million bushels to the accounts of Pool members and has made payments of over 43¼ million dollars. This year we have some 40,000 accounts which are in balance with the 99 different grades of wheat delivered to the Pool by its membership.

Growers' Reserve Accounts

These accounts are kept by totals of deliveries made by each grower, in exactly the same manner as the Growers' Accounts are kept. The totals of bushels are multiplied by the rate of reserve deductions, and a complete record is kept of the amount at the credit of each grower, according to the station or stations at which he delivered the wheat.

A year ago we forwarded to each member a statement showing the amount deducted from the final selling price of his wheat for Commercial and Elevator Reserve purposes. This statement covered deductions made from the deliveries to the 1923 and 1924 Pool. On May 31st last, we mailed to each member a statement showing deductions made from the deliveries to the 1925 Pool and the present position of his account after interest on the Elevator Reserve from August 31st, 1925, to August 31st, 1926, had been added. In all cases where the amount of interest due the member came to $1.00 or over, a cheque for this accompanied the statement.

Assignments

A great number of our members avail themselves of the privilege of assigning their right to receive further payments from the Pool. It is safe to say that at least one-third of the further payments will be paid to the assignees this year. Undoubtedly, many of our members use the facilities offered by the banks in this manner for the sake of convenience. On the other hand, a number of accounts have been over assigned or otherwise tied up, causing a great deal of correspondence. So far, in all such cases, we have succeeded in arriving at a settlement without letting our members get into the courts. It would be of great assistance if our members would refrain from giving assignments until such time as the wheat is delivered to the Pool, and also refrain from assigning the payments on more wheat than they actually deliver.

It is really remarkable what some of our members will sign in order to get rid

News & Views

Grain Department Has Multiple Check Comprising Accurate Record of All Pool Wheat Deliveries

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Old Boy: No, sir. I'm trying not to

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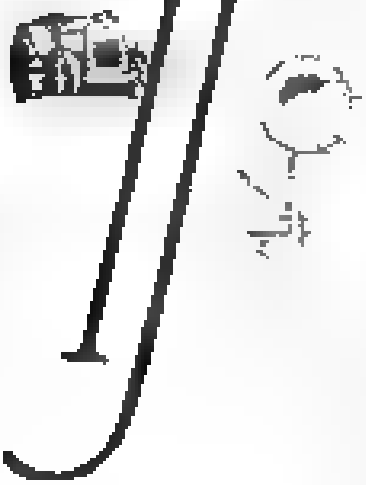

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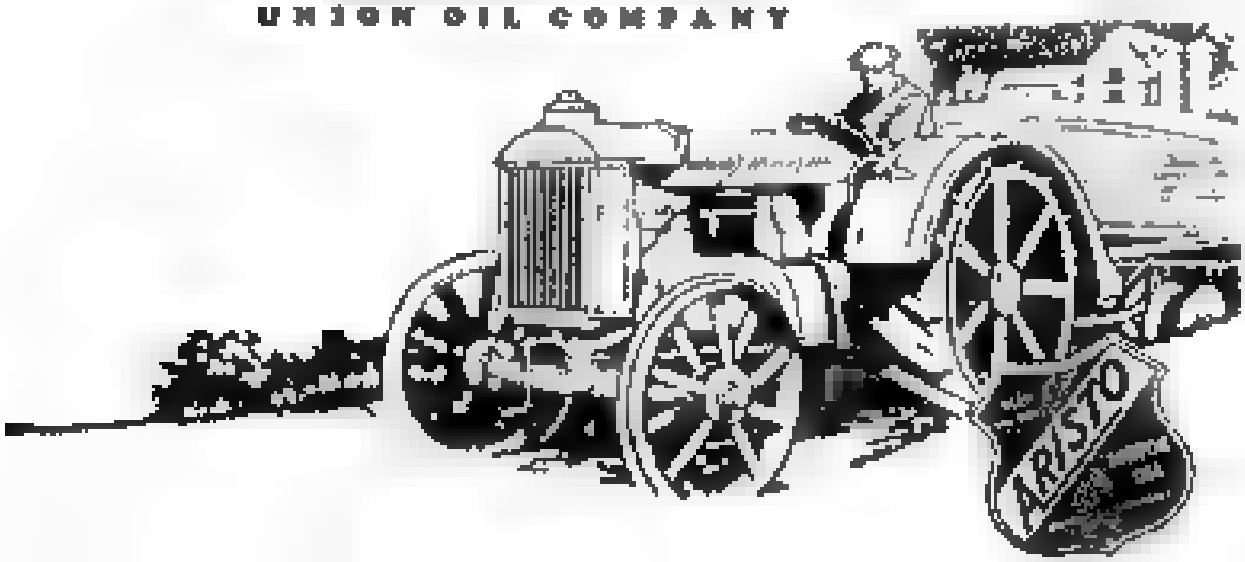

Progress of Sign-Up Campaign

List of Points for Pool Elevators

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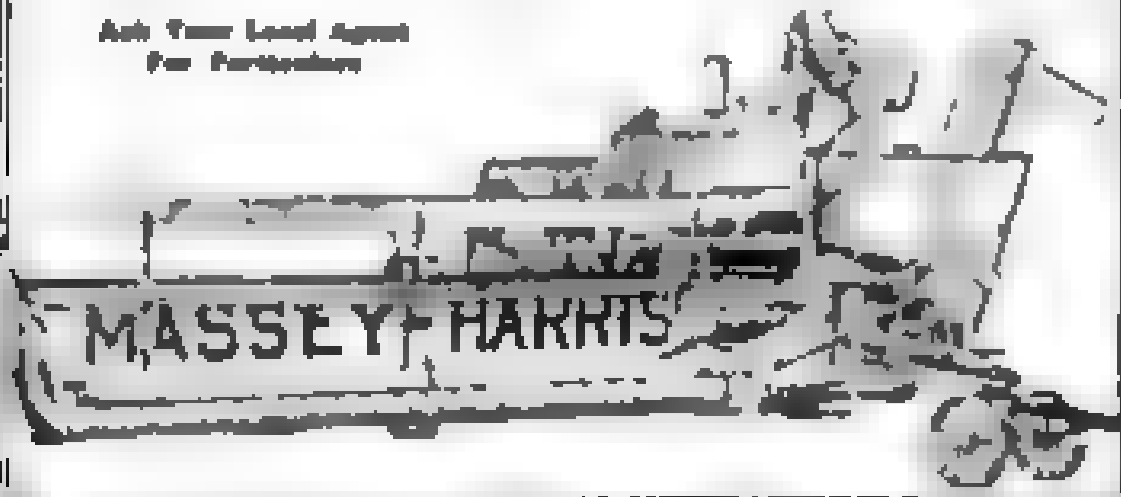

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The Western Movement of Canadian Wheat

tramp vessels loaded full cargoes for these destinations, making a total of 258 sailings for Europe with the Pacific coast. For comparative purposes, during the calendar year 1926 there were only [illegible] sailings in all, so that there has been a gain of [illegible] increase in a period of 3 years. There is every indication that more vessels will be available during 1927. The index of the movement of wheat is the supply of tonnage and the rate obtained. This is [illegible] in which we can also compare East or West [illegible] Fraser River and Prince Rupert are the high ports of the Province of Alberta. But tonnage must be [illegible] grain before it can be shipped to the other [illegible]. There is every indication that this will be done and we are looking for a branch of [illegible] from year to year [illegible] Prince Rupert. This as well will be a considerable saving to the farmers of this Province. At the shipping points 2 to 3 cents per bushel can be saved by the shipping of wheat via the Prince Rupert. A number of [illegible] the departure of the [illegible] Wheat Pool. You should bear in mind though that [illegible] must be made by the farmers in this [illegible] of the grain in [illegible] Alberta. [illegible] Pool [illegible] to shipping [illegible] There is every indication that [illegible] of along these lines will be some change from what we have.

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[illegible] the great [illegible] in the West have [illegible] Russian [illegible] shipments have been made to Japan and [illegible] have been made to the Far East. [illegible] people are [illegible] to think that [illegible] develop into large proportions. Personally, I cannot see [illegible] Japan [illegible] Europe. Russia is [illegible] Europe [illegible] Russian [illegible] called [illegible] most expand individually and [illegible] expand as a nation. [illegible] Canada [illegible] Japan [illegible] wheat [illegible] annually about [illegible] bushels [illegible] consumption [illegible] would [illegible] bushels of wheat [illegible] Chinese [illegible] about [illegible] bushels [illegible] Chinese [illegible] wheat [illegible] shipment of wheat [illegible] would [illegible] bushels of good [illegible] that [illegible] would be [illegible] Province of Alberta. The tendency of the foreign markets today is [illegible] Japan [illegible] than imports. Flour [illegible] that Japan and China

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ADDRESS ON CONFEDERATION

Canada and confederation was the subject of an address by Mrs. Thomas Johns at a recent meeting of Ramsey U.F.W.A. Local. Rev. M. Kemp also spoke on the same subject stressing the importance of good and peace thoughts rather than war which he said had in the past received too prominent a place in our reading and thoughts. Mrs. F. Thompson and Miss Eva Axer contributed to a musical program.

Waskatenau Juniors Win Second Place

A Summary of the Report Made to Efficiency Contest

A summary of the report made by Waskatenau Junior Local, who won second place in the recent Junior Branch Efficiency Contest, is given below. The president and secretary of the Local, Miss Hilda Ericksen and Miss B. Lewis, signed the notes and Joseph Flynn, secretary of Waskatenau G.E.A. Local, passed on the report.

The Local meets once a month as a group of twenty members and the order of business followed is: Singing, roll call, minutes, correspondence, committee reports, new business, paper, Junior Grange, refreshments, each meeting. It has an initiation committee, who [illegible] quarterly an editor and staff who [illegible] a copy of each meeting, a social and program committee who [illegible] dances and provide [illegible] to football plays, a social committee, a Junior orchestra, who provide music for [illegible] and a committee whose duty [illegible] attend all joint meetings and work with the senior Local.

Work for Every Member

A special effort is made to give each member some work in the Waskatenau district, such as chairing the committee at each meeting, and all members are expected to take part in the discussions and to attend meetings and agriculture [illegible] and demonstrations. Each month members have taken part in a [illegible] during the [illegible] months. The number has gained during the last year as before the report was made.

Attendance of members at meetings was graded [illegible] by [illegible] Ward, the superintendent.

The Local has a membership of [illegible] ranging from [illegible] years of age. During the [illegible] months since May 1927 was from 35 to 50 and to 100 since.

Some Questions and Answers

Some of the questions and answers are given in all as follows:

Question: **What steps have your Local taken to make the meetings of educational value to the members?** Answer: The Local has benefited the members by several speeches along agriculture lines, especially a recent one on [illegible] was [illegible] an excellent paper on [illegible] current events and [illegible].

Question: **How has your program raised the members to be better farmers?** Answer: The Local had talks on Poultry Raising for Profit, Ideal Farm Site, Preparing for Threshers, Garage Tests, Olds School of Agriculture, Outside Agricultural Report from Conference, Lecture

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What social and pleasure [illegible] did your Local enjoy?

Describe all activities which your Local has undertaken that have been of benefit to the community.

Representations at Annual Meetings?

Are you sending a delegate to the Farmers' Week for Young People?

Describe below any other accomplishments of the Local.

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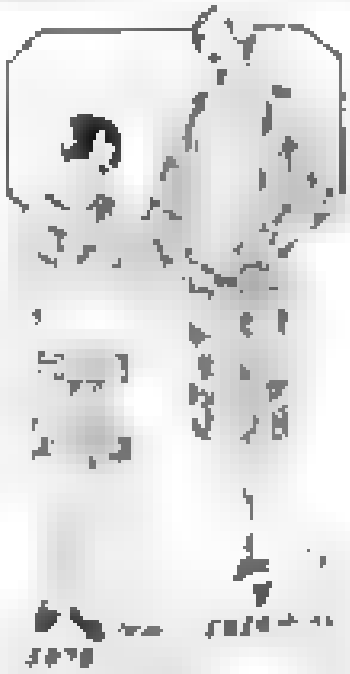

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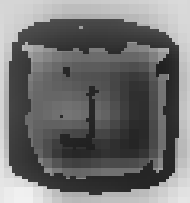

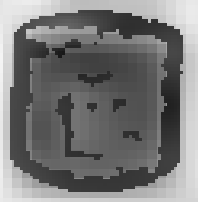

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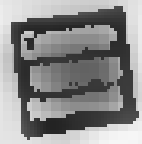

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...ected upon the basis upon which the U.F.A. members were elected, as representatives of a citizenship group, should maintain a distinctive organization. This course had been followed. The U.F.A. members (including Miss Macphail) had formed their own group. Labor had its own group and the Progressives who had remained independent of the Liberal party, had theirs. It was found that these groups could co-operate upon many important matters of policy. They were all in favor of co-operation rather than the old party system of competition and opposition. They accordingly agreed to confer from time to time upon important issues, and this course was followed throughout the session. They did not merge their identity in each other's conferences, they came together only to discuss measures before Parliament, to see whether they could co-operate. If their viewpoints differed, each group was free to follow its own course, Mr. Gardiner concluded.

(The issue of the Calgary conference will be concluded in our next issue. Ed.)

McCafferty Local Provides Treat to School Children

On Saturday, July 2nd, the members of the McCafferty U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. treated the school children of the district to a trip to the park. As usual in such cases some non-member neighbors kindly offered to make the occasion a success. Some dozen cars assembled at the local school house, where the loads were made up. The expedition started a few minutes before 10 o'clock, arriving at the open grounds in the Park soon after 1 o'clock. Tables and stoves were provided and the already going, exhibits kindly brought by the park officials.

Dinner was freely partaken of and an excellent meal enjoyed, after which the Ark started. Mr. Dawson piloted the Sole party some 60 miles round to the different points of interest, stopping at each to give a brief description, talk and pointing out historic and scenery, etc. As the return supper was served, but was somewhat hurried owing to the approaching storm, which did make the party before reaching home.

Despite the difficulties some had on the roads, the day was throughout enjoyed by everyone, thoroughly enjoyed by all and believed to well worth repeating. It was a most happy thought of Mr. Leonard, who is responsible for such a trip, and the generosity given the party by the park officials was keenly appreciated. It may be of interest to some to know that the park comprises 43,500 acres.

The Local has offered a prize to the child who produces the best essay on the outing, as apart from the pleasure and interest of the day, the educational value of the trip, conducts and children alike was considerable.

R. HERBERT SPENCER
President McCafferty Local

Edgerton, Alta.

IN NEXT ISSUE

We much regret that it has been found necessary to hold over a number of important features owing to lack of space. These together with reports of the summer meeting of the U.F.A. Central Board and the Board of the U.F.W.A. will be printed in our next issue. Editor

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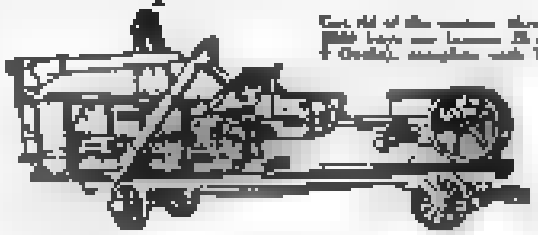

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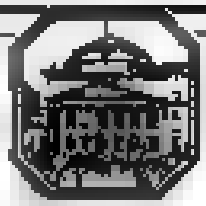

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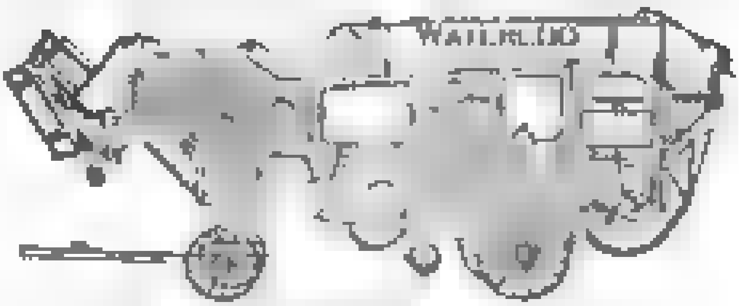

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CREAM PRICES

Editor, The U.F.A.:

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Dividend and Reserve, 2.48c per lb. butter-fat above the price paid at Stettler.

These are actual facts, and we are using the figures as set out in *The U.F.A.* concerning the Alberta Dairy Pool, while those used in connection with the Central Cream Pool, we are prepared to verify.

It is quite obvious that even the members of the Alberta Dairy Pool in the vicinity of Stettler are reaping the benefit from the proximity of the Central Cream Pool.

It is also quite obvious that a higher price was paid for cream at Stettler than at some of the Northern Creameries, which is a violation of Section 67 of the Dairymen's Act, and a discrimination against the Pool members at those points in the North where the lower prices were paid.

Yours truly,

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For F. J. SETTERS,
Secretary.

Alix, Alta.

HAYS BANS ANTI-WAR PLAY

(Ottawa Citizen)

For the first time in the history of the theatre Will Hays, so-called czar of the motion picture industry, has blacklisted the filming of a New York play for other than its malicious contents. The play is called "Spread Eagle," and it is a play against war. Up to the present, Broadway has been the chief feeding ground for the Hollywood stokers. No play which ever reached Broadway and was innocuous has failed to be made into a photoplay. Several—such as "Rain" and "White Cargo"—have been rejected by Mr. Hays for movie purposes because of their alleged immoral lines and situations.

But the case of "Spread Eagle" is different and it constitutes a challenge to the independence of the motion pictures and their intellectual integrity. The producer of the play asserts that "Spread Eagle" has been discriminated against because of implications in it that American foreign policy is influenced by Wall Street financiers. He contends that his efforts to sell the motion picture rights have been frustrated by the play's censorship by the Hays organization.

If the producer's contentions are true—and there are reasons for believing they are, for the play as a stage entertainment is a big success—this means that for the first time the motion pictures have gone in for political censorship. It is quite certain that Mr. Will Hays would not readily consent to such a procedure without deep thought, but the facts seem against him. It is excusable for the "movie czar" to prohibit the filming of stage plays of questionable moral character. It is not so to prohibit the filming of stage plays because the opinions they circulate are contrary to the interests of a powerful ruling class. It is not only an intolerable invasion of free speech, but a backward step for the industry.

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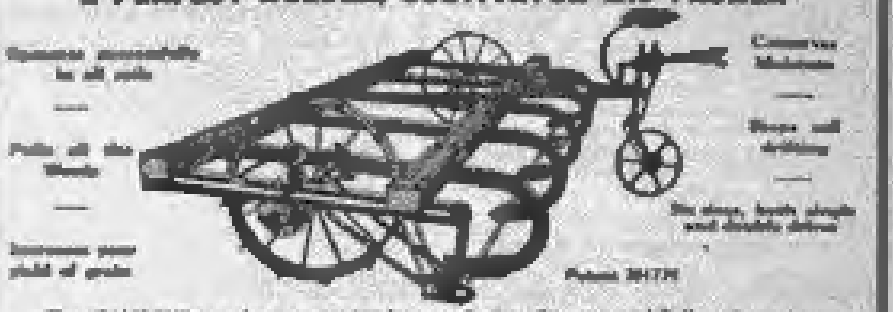

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NEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION

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sentation appealed to the imagination to work out the destiny of the people of Alberta in such fashion that readers of history in later time will turn to our pages of achievement in democratic government in material possessions; in comfort and leisure and contentment of citizens; in spiritual growth and development; and say, (as we have said of certain people in olden times)—"There were giants in the land in those days."

Through the courtesy of Mr. Grant King, the people listened to the radio concert re-broadcast from Ottawa, and the evening program came to a close with a pavilion dance and generous display of fireworks, after which cars and buggies, and wagons and riders, dispersed to take up the routine evening tasks of homes and chores.

VICE-PRESIDENT AT EARLIE

Following addresses in the Merton district, H. E. G. H. Scholefield, Vice-President of the U.F.A., and C. L. Gibbs, Labor M.L.A. for Edmonton, addressed a gathering of over 300 people at a meeting in the community hall near Earlie, arranged by the three Locals of the district on Dominion Day. Mr. Scholefield said that although Confederation took place in a formal way sixty years ago, it had not yet been consummated and would not be consummated until all sectional differences had been subordinated to the welfare of Canada as a whole, and Canadians in all parts of Canada had learnt to think nationally, speak nationally and act nationally.

Mr. Gibbs, in the course of an able speech, declared that the growth of co-operation among the farmers was one of the greatest steps which could be taken to make confederation in Canada a reality.

COMMUNITY SUNDAY AT WASKATENAU

On July 3rd, Mr. Scholefield joined in a Community Sunday Celebration at Waskatenau, in which Rev. Mr. Burgen, of the Anglican church, Rev. Mr. Newton, of the United Church, and Rev. Father Sullivan, of the Catholic church, participated. Referring to the celebration of Confederation, Mr. Scholefield spoke of the unprecedented opportunities which lie before the young people of the Dominion, and urged that the older generation should give the rising generation every opportunity for the development of their citizenship. Canada was a land of vast expanse, wonderfully endowed by nature, and it should be the ambition of the new generation to make this country the home of a great people, a nation in which, for the first time in history, agriculture should occupy its rightful place. During the afternoon the children's choir under the direction of Mr. Burgen, sang "O Canada,". The hall was filled, in spite of a heavy rain which had fallen throughout the day.

BINDER TWINE PRICES LOWER THIS SEASON

Prices of binder twine will be substantially lower for the present season than they were during the season of 1926, according to information received by *The U.F.A.* from W. J. Garland, Superintendent of the Farm Supplies Department of the United Grain Growers, Ltd. For 550 feet, large or small sizes, the prices are reduced to $11.87½ per hundred pounds, as compared with $14.01½ last year; for 600 feet, large or small sizes, prices are reduced to $13.06½ as compared with $15.43½ last year; for 650 feet large or small sizes, prices are reduced to $14.25 as compared with $16.62½ last year. These prices are f.o.b. the head of the lakes, and it is necessary to add the car lot freight per hundred pounds from the lakes to your shipping station to arrive at the laid down prices.

CORONATION PROVINCIAL CONSTITUENCY CONVENTION

The Annual Convention of Coronation U. F. A. Constituency Association, will be held at Gooseberry Lake (9 miles north of Consort) on Friday and Saturday, July 29th and 30th.

July 31st will be recognized as U.F.A. Sunday and in charge of Rev. J. Dorrien of Alliance.

Each Local is entitled to one delegate for every ten members or major portion thereof.

The usual picnic and sports will be in connection with the convention and several speakers will be on hand.

F. J. DOHERTY,
Consort, July 16th Secretary.

DIDSBURY ANNUAL MEETING

To all U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Locals,
Didsbury Provincial Constituency.

The Annual Meeting of the Didsbury U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. District Association will be held in Didsbury, Wednesday, July 27th, commencing at 1 p.m. sharp.

Each Local is entitled to one delegate for each 10 members or major portion thereof.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Directors at the same place and date at 10 a.m., and a full attendance is requested.

Yours fraternally,
J. S. EARLE,
Acme, July 13th. Secy.-Treas.

Large Audiences at U.F.A. Meetings in Battle River

Mrs. Gunn and Mrs. McNaughton Address Enthusiastic Gatherings on Purposes of Organization

Mrs. R. B. Gunn, President of the U.F.W.A., and Mrs. McNaughton, U.F.W.A. Director for Battle River, during the last week in June addressed well attended meetings at Lavoy, Lornedale, Ranfurly, Lamont and Pleasant Hill. The Lornedale meeting was held in the afternoon, and was presided over by Mrs. McNaughton. Mrs. Gunn spoke on the problems and difficulties met with in carrying on U.F.W.A. Locals, and dwelt on the vital necessity of meeting and conquering these difficulties. At Lavoy and Ranfurly the meetings were held in the evening, and were well attended. A report of the Lavoy meeting by the secretary, appears on the organization page.

At Lamont the meeting was held in the home of Mrs. MacPherson, and the president of Lamont U.F.W.A., Mrs. Southern, was in the chair. Following the regular business of the Local, Mrs. Gunn was called on to speak. Mrs. McNaughton also spoke briefly, congratulating the Lamont Local on the good work they were accomplishing. Mrs. Hackett expressed the appreciation of the meeting for the addresses, and at this juncture two small girls appeared, bearing bouquets of roses, sweet peas and ferns for the two speakers. A very pleasant social hour was spent, music being provided by some of the younger members.

Address Large Audiences

After the regular meeting of the Lamont U.F.A. Local, in the home of Mrs. Hackett, Mrs. McNaughton and Mrs. Gunn addressed the large audiences. Mrs. McNaughton said that the work achieved by the Lamont Local showed that they kept ever before them the aims and ideals of the U.F.A., and Mrs. Gunn spoke on co-operation and organization matters. Both addresses were followed with close attention. In moving a vote of thanks, Mr. Whittaker said that if the members could hear more speeches like Mrs. Gunn's, there need be no doubts about the morale of the U.F.A.

A large audience gathered at the Pleasant Hill meeting, when A. M. Boutilier was the chairman. Mrs. McNaughton spoke on U.F.W.A. and Junior work. Mr. Mihalcheon, the next speaker, urged on U.F.A. members their responsibility in furthering the Wheat Pool sign-up. Mrs. Gunn spoke on the general principles of co-operation and organization, and encouraged her hearers to renewed efforts in following U.F.A. ideals.

A feature of each meeting, which was greatly enjoyed, was the discussion which followed each of Mrs. Gunn's addresses, when many questions were answered by the speaker.

MIDWAY CELEBRATES JUBILEE

Midway U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Locals celebrated the Jubilee of Confederation between showers on July 1st, writes H. E. Ficht, secretary of the U.F.A. "The morning was used in getting the grounds ready and after a community luncheon Miss Ross put on the pageant sent out by the Department of Education. The boys and girls taking part were all natives of the once dry belt. Prizes for the sports were contributed by the Lomond business men, and $35 in cash was given by those present. A real ball game, was umpired by E. Barnett, between "Badgers" and "Pirates" and decided after 11 innings in favor of the "Badgers." The crowd, a big one, dispersed in a mild shower. Some lingered for a social dance. Thus ended a perfect day."

BURNSIDE PICNIC

The postponed picnic of Burnside U.F.A. Local was held on July 4th, and was a splendid success in every way, reports the secretary, Mrs. Ruth Echel.

FIRST MEETING RADWAY LOCAL

Oscar Siren was the organizer in charge of the first meeting of Radway Local, near Radway Centre. Wm. Kunelius was elected president and Mrs. Irene Erickson secretary.

A PROBLEM

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